



Yucca Weekly Update



Councilmember Joyce Clark - City of Glendale, Arizona

Yucca District - where Glendale's past, present and future meet.

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Yucca District Meeting: On Wednesday, April 22 at 6:30 p.m. there will be a Yucca District Meeting at Coyote Ridge School, 7677 W. Bethany Home Road. Refreshments will be served. For more information, call (623) 930-2878.

Important Traffic Alert for NCAA Championship. Drivers are being advised of heavy traffic expected on the Loop 101 from Northern Avenue to Camelback Road in the afternoon of Saturday, March 28. The NCAA tournament will begin sometime between 1:30 p.m. and 6 p.m. and a concert at the Arena begins at 7 p.m. Message signs will be posted on the freeway to indicate suggested exits. Basketball traffic is encouraged to exit Bethany Home Road and concert traffic should exit Glendale Ave. Heavy traffic is also anticipated on the surface streets in and around the Glendale Sports and Entertainment District.

95th Avenue west of the stadium between Bethany Home Road and Maryland Avenue will be closed to vehicle traffic. Glendale Police will be directing traffic to establish a safe and steady traffic flow. Follow traffic signs for direction. For complete traffic information, visit www.glendalesgotgame.com

Final 3 Games Spring Training Special. Camelback Ranch is offering special 2-for-1 tickets to the last three games at Camelback Ranch on March 30, 31 and April 1. [Click here](#) for a ticket voucher that can be printed and brought to the Camelback Ranch Glendale box office. This offer is good for any ticket except the Home Plate Club. For more information about Camelback Ranch, visit www.camelbackranchbaseball.com.

Residents Appointed to Serve on Boards and Commissions. The Glendale City Council has appointed several residents to serve on advisory boards and commissions. Congratulations to the following Yucca residents: Cherie Hudson (vice chair) – *Library Advisory Board* and John Kolodziej – *Planning Commission*.

Glendale's 18 boards and commissions assist the City Council in making important policy decisions that impact the community. These volunteer citizen advisory groups research, study and discuss specific Glendale projects and issues and then forward their recommendations to the City Council. Board and commission members must reside in Glendale. To request an application to serve on a city advisory group, call the Council Office at 623-930-2249 or visit www.glendaleaz.com/boardsandcommissions.

City of Glendale - Get Your Green On! The city of Glendale Water Conservation Office invites you to attend the 2009 Glendale Green Festival featuring the SRP Water Conservation Expo from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, March 28. This family-oriented free event is a great opportunity for people of all ages to learn about water and energy efficiency and other green practices. The festival will feature informative displays and booths, green vendors, landscape classes, green-living workshops, free giveaways and a Family Zone powered by Radio Disney with all kinds of fun and games for all!

The SRP Water Conservation Expo and Green Workshops will be located at the Glendale Main Library's Xeriscape Demonstration Garden, 5959 W. Brown Street and the landscape classes and green vendor booths located nearby at the Fruit Packing Shed at Sahuaro Ranch Park, 9802 North 59th Avenue. [Click here](#) for more information and a schedule of events.

Plan a Neighborhood Cleanup and We'll Supply the Tools. Spring is traditionally a great time for yard maintenance and the city's Community Volunteer Program has a "Tool Shed" that may help you get started. Registered neighborhoods and volunteer groups can check out tools for projects they coordinate. Tools are available on a first-come, first-served basis, and must be returned in good condition. The following equipment is available from the Tool Shed: painting supplies, lawnmowers, weed trimmers, wheelbarrows, trash pickers as well as bags, rakes, shovels, pruners, shears and more. For more information, call the Neighborhood Partnership Office at 623-930-2915.

Around Town

The 26th Annual Gibson Jazz & Blues Festival. The city of Glendale's 26th Annual Gibson Jazz & Blues Festival will feature a tremendous lineup of local, regional and national entertainment in Historic Downtown Glendale April 4-5. The event will run noon to 10 p.m. on Saturday, April 4 and noon to 6 p.m. on Sunday, April 5. Admission and parking are free. Parking is located throughout the downtown area, including handicapped parking. Historic Downtown Glendale is located at 58th and Glendale avenues. For more information call the city of Glendale special event hotline at (623) 930-2299.

Second Annual Family Fun Night. The Foothills Recreation & Aquatics Center is hosting its second annual Family Fun Night from 8:30 to 10:30 p.m., Saturday, March 28. Families can enjoy an evening of ping pong, basketball, volleyball, foosball, rock wall climbing, music, billiards and more. Light refreshments will also be served. Entrance fee is \$3 per person. The Foothills Recreation & Aquatics Center is located at 5600 W. Union Hills Dr. Attendees should wear gym shoes/gym attire. For more information, call 623-930-4610.

Consumer Credit Classes. Consumer Credit Counseling Services, a non-profit organization, will be presenting the following two programs. Patrons may attend one session or both. Registration is required; to register or for more information, please call (623) 930-3431.

- Keeping Debt under Control:
March 31 at 6 p.m. at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St.
April 27 at 7 p.m. at the Foothills Branch, 19055 N. 57th Ave.
- Surviving a Layoff:
April 20 at 7 p.m. at Foothills Branch, 19055 N. 57th Ave.

Live at the Library. Glendale Main Library's Live at the Library takes place at 7 p.m. on Thursdays in the library's auditorium at 5959 W. Brown St. On April 2, "Young Sounds" performs. Experience the best of the Phoenix area's young jazz musicians.

Learn to be Money Smart with Upcoming Library Programs. When times are tough, it is more important than ever to be savvy about your money—no matter how much you have. With that goal in mind, Glendale Public Library received a grant to offer free classes for teens and adults on a variety of financial literacy topics. Classes will be offered at all three libraries; the Glendale Community Center, near downtown Glendale; and at Luke Air Force Base (for members of the Luke community). The program kicks off in April, with the 2009 classes finishing in November. The sessions repeat in 2010. [Click here](#) for more information.

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